



Transportation Permits Policy Memorandum

To: Region Managers, Permits Personnel,
California Highway Patrol (CHP),
Permit Service Companies, and Industry

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Policy: TPPM 2000-5, revised

Subject: *Repetitive Permits*

Objectives

Supersedes the TPPM 2000-5 dated May 4, 2000. To allow repetitive permit loads to be described in general terms. To simplify the restrictions on repetitive permits. To make the policy conform to current practice.

Existing Documentation

The following sources contain information related to this subject:

California Vehicle Code (CVC), 1999

Division 1 – Words and Phrases Defined

Section 320.5 – Extralegal Load

An "extralegal load" is a single unit or an assembled item which, due to its design, cannot be reasonably reduced or dismantled in size or weight so that it can be legally transported as a load without a permit as required by Section 35780.

Transportation Permits Manual (TPM)

Chapter 2 – Type of Permits

Sections 203.1, 203.2, and 203.3

These sections describe the various restrictions on repetitive permits.

Chapter 9 – Definitions

917.5 Repetitive Permit

A permit issued by the Department for an unlimited number of loads and/or vehicles moving between predetermined locations for a prescribed period of time (6 months maximum).

Chapter 10 – General Information

1018.4 Repetitive Permits

Repetitive permits from Point A to Point B is established to allow one specific item (e.g., steel pipe, concrete pipe) to be moved over a specified route from the manufacturer (Point A) to the job site (Point B).

Repetitive permits from Point A to Point B to Point C is established to allow the construction industry to move one of up to three described items from their yard (Point A) to a construction site (Point B) to another construction site (Point C). The permits may be written from Point A to Point B to Point C and return to Point B or to Point A over a specified route. It is not the intent to allow the permittee ingress and egress from the route at any location desired.

Transportation Permit Manual Changes

- 1) Delete Sections 203.1, 203.2, and 203.3.
- 2) Revise Section 203 to read as follows:

Repetitive permits (see definition in Section 917.5) are available for any load that qualifies for a single trip permit. Region Managers must approve all repetitive permits for loads greater than 14'-0" in height and all variance loads. Permit applicants may appeal per Section 105 of the Transportation Permits Manual.

Permits are valid in one direction of travel only, from a single origin to a single destination. A separate permit is required for the return trip (unless the vehicle, laden or unladen is legal). The permit allows the permittee to haul an "extralegal load" as defined in Section 320.5 of the California Vehicle Code. A detailed description of the load is not required.

The duration of repetitive permits for loads greater than 14'-0" in height and all variance loads may be limited by the Region Managers at their discretion.

The initial cost of a repetitive permit is as noted in Title 21, Division 2, Chapter 7 of the California Code of Regulations. For up to six months, repetitive permits may be renewed for each time they expire. At the end of six months, the permittee must obtain a new permit. Original copies of repetitive permits are mailed (not faxed) to the permittee. The permittee must carry the original permit, with all required accompaniments (including a current copy of the Short Term Restrictions), in the cab of the power unit. A facsimile copy of all rider forms is acceptable.

- 3) Delete Section 1018.4.
- 4) Revise Section 105.1.2 and 105.1.3 to strike all references to "District Permit Engineer" and replace with "Region Manager."

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